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Jonathan G. Katz, Secretary Securities and Exchange Commission 100 F Street, NE Washington, D.C. 20549-9303

Re: File No. SR-NYSE-2005-02

Dear Secretary Katz:

The Public Investors Arbitration Bar Association writes to express its support for the change to New York Stock Exchange Rule 607. The amendments concern the procedure for the appointment of arbitrators to cases administered by the NYSE.

Under the proposed Rule 607, arbitrators could still be appointed without the agreement of the investor/claimant in some circumstances. PIABA again emphasizes that the definition of a public arbitrator needs to be carefully examined by the NYSE to ensure that public arbitrators do not have, nor have they had, ties to the securities industry.

Very truly yours

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